

LANGUAGE IN ACTION

Third conditional

1 ★ Match the sentences (1-4) with the pictures (a-d).

- 1 If Charlie had missed the bus, he wouldn't have met Hannah. ☒ D
- 2 If Charlie hadn't missed the bus, he wouldn't have arrived late. ☐
- 3 If I hadn't gone to the party, I wouldn't have had so much fun. ☐
- 4 I would have gone to the party if I hadn't agreed to watch a film with Suzy. ☐



2 ★★ Complete the sentences with correct form of the verbs in brackets.

TO: Aisha

FROM: Amy

Hi Aisha,

I'm never going to have a party in my house again!! First of all,

if I ¹ hadn't invited (not invite) so many people, there

² would be (be) more food for everyone. Then, Carmen and

Elsa ³ wouldn't have got (not get) lost if I ⁴ had sent

(send) them a map. I don't think inviting Harry was a good idea either.

If he ⁵ hadn't jumped (not jump) on the sofa, he

⁶ wouldn't have broken (not break) the mirror in the living room.

There was one good thing. If Mira ⁷ had come (not come), she

⁸ wouldn't have brought (not bring) her friend Beatriz. She's from Turkey, and

she invited me to stay with her when I go travelling this summer!

Amy

3 ★★★ Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words.

- 1 Holly didn't have the same opportunities as everyone else, so she didn't go to university.
If Holly had had the same opportunities as everyone else, she would have gone to university.
- 2 George didn't take any interest, so he failed the exam.
If George had taken an interest, he would have passed the exam.
- 3 The fish didn't taste very nice because of the sauce.
The fish would have tasted better if it hadn't had that sauce.
- 4 My friend Mike went to hospital last week because he broke his leg playing football.
Mike wouldn't have gone to hospital if he hadn't broken his leg playing football.
- 5 The party turned out really well because the music was amazing.
The party wouldn't have turned out so well if the music hadn't been so amazing.

4 ★★★ Answer the questions with your own ideas.

- 1 What would you have done if you hadn't come to school today?
- 2 If you'd been born 50 years ago, what would your childhood have been like?